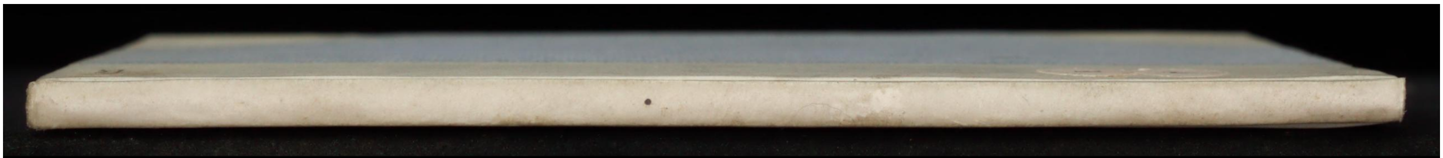
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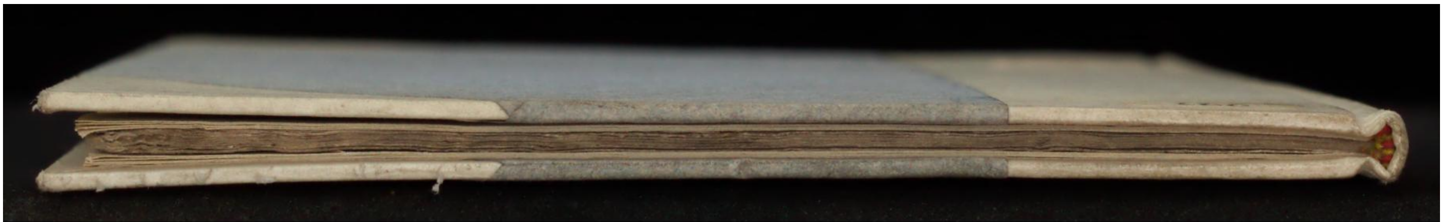
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Fratris Baptiſte Man tuani Carmelitæ theologi et poetæ preſtantiſſimi: diuę Apolo nię virginis et mar tyris Agon

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¶ Argumentum Aſcenſianum in diuę Apoloniæ Agonem

Apolonię agonē auſpicaturꝰ poſt iuocatōez ꝯmemorat
ꝑſecutōes ecclię chriſtianę ab imꝑatoribꝰ romanꝫ fac-
tas Nerone Domiciano Traiano ſᷓo Seuero Max-
ſmino Decio Ualeriano Aureliano ⁊ Diocleſiano. deiñ inſti-
tutū exequens d̾t tp̄e Decij imꝑatoris q̇ demonioꝝ inſpirati-
one maxime in chriſtianos ſeuijt fuiſſe apd̾ egiptios ꝟginē re-
gali ꝓgenie exortā Apoloniā noīe, q̄ cū mrē chriſtiana ſanctiſ-
ſime vixit ⁊ Chr̄m̄ in ſacello q̄d domi habebāt coluit donec ꝓ-
conſule ad Aegyptū Decio miſſo illa iuſſa ſiſti ⁊ Chriſtianę fi-
dei accuſata et idolis ſacrificare iuſſa recuſauit illiuſqꝫ temeri-
tatez acriter coarguit ob quā rez a ſatellitibꝰ iuſſu tyranni eiꝰ
dentes immaniſſime excuſſi ſunt Uerꝫ cū indignum facinus
paꝝ abeſſet q̇n ſeditio oboriret iuſſit in carcerē detrudi, vbi ab
āgelis ſanata ⁊ cōfortata poſtridie tyranno ſiſtit̾ qui cuz oīa
reuoluiſſet tormenta nullū aptius ratū decreuit igni abolēdā
ideoqꝫ ne tumultꝰ fieret in pp̄lo, ſubito ad littꝰ eductā in ingē-
tez pyrā cōijci iubet vbi (q̄d ab āgelis futuꝝ didicerat) flam-
mis quidē ſuffocata ſed penitꝰ incōbuſta ꝑmāſit, vſqꝫ adeo vt
ne veſtes q̇dem eius leſe ſint Chriſticolę āt poſt multā trepida-
tionē fide aīos ſuppeditāte egreſſi corpꝰ ꝑ ſcalas in vrbē refe-
rūt et honeſta ſepultura afficiūt, mens āt ab āgelis in cœlū no-
bili cuz triumpho deducit̾ Uerꝫ ſicut vbiqꝫ poeta iucūdis di-
greſſiunculis ⁊ argutis fictionibꝰ de deoꝝ ꝯſpirationibꝰ poe-
ma ſuuz decorat ita hoc q̄z nō inutili fictiōe aīam ſeu mētem
diue ꝟginis ac martyris inter ducēduz multa de ſecretis natu-
rę de pœnis inferoꝝ quas ſm Lucretiū Macrobium ⁊ alios
multas in corpore iſto patimur, de mortis cōtemptu, cuz non
tm̄ habeat doloris aut amaritudinis quātuz ab imperitis cre-
dit̾ et celoꝝ orbibus alijſqꝫ multis quę ſeparata a corpore per-
fecte agnouit, cum āgelis locutā inducit miratā videlicet tan-
taz mortaliuz cecitatē, cū trepident vbi non ſit timor, reſqꝫ cō-
temnēdas tā miſere ament. Poſt q̄z narrationē. docet in be-
atorum patriā perductā vbi eo perfruetur gaudio quod nec o-
culꝰ vidit nec auris audiuit nec in coꝛ hois aſcendit

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Baptiſte Mantuani Carmelite Theologi diue Apolonie Agon ad Ptolomeum fratrem.

Tu quoqȝ coeleſtes imitās Apolonia nymphas
Includi heroo non indignabere cantu,
Et quanquam noſtro maior tua gloria plectro
Miſſa ſit in terrās omnis ⁊ in omnia longe
Aequora ſtellatos etiam vulgata per axes
Non vanus tamen iſte labor, nec enim tibi famam
Cogitat et aliud quod nos in carmine traxit
Nam tua maieſtas nobis mortalibus ingens
Preſidium celebri veneranda in ſecula cultu
Obſequium ſibi noſtri operis, ſibi vendicat oris
Uirtuti debetur honor, licet inclita et expers
Noctis et vmbrarum per totum effulgeat orbem
Ante deum lychni in templis funalia ad aras
Non vt clara dies fiat lucentior ardent
Uerum et celituum patriam ſplendore nitentem
Aethereo, et ſemper verſari in lumine diuos
Significent, vbi nulla diem contaminat vmbra
Diua vides animum ſublimem, et grandia corda
Ingenium vero tenebroſum, exangue, ſepultum
Segnicie et lentum vicio torporis et oci
Ergo ades, et caligantem ſacro affice ſenſum

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Lumine, quod diuorum oculis clareſcere nunꝙ̄
Ceſſat, et eterni tetigit penetralia mundi
¶ Roma potens rerum varijs, et adultera coniunx
Dum natura recens creſcentis adiuuat annos
Principibus nupſit, quorum ſine numine et omni
Pars maior pietate fuit rariſſima virtus
Semper, vt hybernis Hyperionis aura diebus
Cum niger inualuit boreas, cum nubila regnant
Hi ſimul ac ſceptrum aggreſſo regnoqꝫ potiti
Exibant de ſede Erebi teterrima monſtra
Tiſiphone furieqꝫ alie multo angue comantes
Afflanteſqꝫ ſuis illos nidoribus intra
Intima tartareum ſpirabant corda furorem
Quippe quibus dominabuntur Plutonides vmbre
Sic male perſuaſi coelos attollere contra
Non poterant vultus, et nil perpendere ſanctum
Sed verſi in terras oculos et more ferarum
Precipites quorſum legem indignata libido
Oſtendiſſet iter (tam nil penſi atqꝫ pudoris
Menti inerat) ſuperis ſcelus admirantibus ibant
Quum primum in terris pietatem exurgere, et ortam
Cognouere dei ſobolem, ne perderet orcus
Imperium vſurpatum annis tot millibus, arma
Arma exclamarunt Chriſtiqꝫ imbellia regna
Perdere conatum nil deteſtabile et atrox
Pretermiſit inops lucis genus ecce ſuperbus
Aeneadum de gente Nero Uiden ora cruenta
Atqꝫ odium truculente anime per lumina rumpens

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Primus hic addictam coelo diſperdere gentem
Auſus et infauſto diuos inuadere bello
Obiectare feris hominis accendere viua
Corpora conſueuit nocturni ad luminis vſum
At poſtqꝫ in ſanctos longas exercuit iras
Ipſe ſua ſibi fata manu conſciſcere ad ortus
Tranſtulit afflictę merorem in gaudia Romę
¶ Altera contemptor diuum dominumqꝫ deumqꝫ
Imprudenter agens crudelia protulit arma
Germanus Tite ſancte tuus, neqꝫ te neqꝫ patrem
Juſticia referens, ideo lacer atqꝫ cruentus
Cede ſua ſtygias tandem raptatus ad vmbras
O ſtulta impietas, incauta audacia preceps
Judicium imprudens et vana ſuperbia regum
Romanorum, audet ſuperos inceſſere et aſtra
Cui graue muſcarum eſt et formidabile roſtrum
Dic etenim (ſi vera ferunt) eſtate volantes
Per thalamum muſcas (manifeſta inſania) ferro
Zetus et Harpyas, eſt inſectatus et arcu
Ite animę peſſum indigne quibus almus Apollo
Oſtendat vitale iubar, quibus ignea mundi
Ornamenta ferant nocturnam ſidera lucem
Indigne, quas dicat opus moderator olympi
Eſſe ſuum, digne hoſpitio Phlegetontis et orci
¶ Tu quoqꝫ cenſeris (verum illa iniuria longe
Deteſtanda minus) Traiane in crimine tanto
Juſſiſti cohiberi enſes parciqꝫ piorum
Relliquijs ſancte exhorrens tot funera gentis

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¶ Sed maior veri impietas et acerbior ira
Atq; immane magis facinus, tunc orta repente
Fulgura romanas cum Marcomanica caſtra
Cinxiſſent acies, veri extinxere furentem
Seuiteam et flagrans odium minuere parumper
Opportune alto radiantia fulmina coelo
¶ Sed furor inſanus rabieſq; infrena Seueri
Intumuit velut excitum mare flantibus auſtris
Cum fremitu horrifico ſpumans procul eſtuat vnda
Et tua caſtrenſi properans ad regna tumultu
Maximine gentis Gothicum, dira illa libido
Uirus olens canis inferni, graſſata per omnes
Chriſtigenas velut inter oues ieiuna luporum
Ingluuies poſt te paulum regnante Philippo
Relligio ſecura fuit, milleſimus vrbis
Annus erat renouata decem poſt ſecula Roma
¶ Mox velut e latebris ſinuoſa volumina ſoluens
¶ Umbroſus coluber Decius furiale venenum,
Expuit in ſanctos ignes extinxit ad aras
Templa cruentauit, tormenta immania paſſim
Protulit, et membratim homines in fruſtra ſecauit
Durior Euryſtheo. Buſiride crudior ipſo
¶ Quid memorem te Auguſte ſenex, qui preda fuiſti
Bellica Perſarum regi, quia ſanguine ſacro
Fedaſti fora, templa, vias, et numina contra
Nil veritus bellare, deos ſimulachra putaſti
Sed nil proficiens tua ceca proteruia tandem
(Nimirum vt caderes tanto grauiore ruina)

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De ſplendore pari ſuperis de culmine celſo
Imperij tanta de maieſtate redacta
Extemplo ad ſeruile iugum ſqualente ſenecta
In pedore ſituqȝ iacens grauibuſqȝ catenis
Tabuit, ante obitum ęternas depulſa ſub vmbras
¶ Non leſura minas furor Aurelianicus arma
Protulit, indicto cum facta licentia bello
Predandi plebem inſontem, paſſumqȝ necandi
Coeleſtes impune viros, et ſantia nondum
Ora trucidādi, atqȝ deum ludibrio habendi
¶ Ecce alius mihi ſeſe offert tuus ille cruentus
Maximiane comes, cui poſtqȝ polluit orbem
Cedibus innumeris, romani purpura regni
Viſa grauis, riguos ideo ſeceſſit ad hortos
Littore in Adriaco, rapidos vbi temperat ęſtus
Aura frequens gelidos vbi mitigat vnda decembres
Unda maris tepidi non conſentanea brume
¶ Sed veluti decimus, quotiens iraſcitur ęquor
Irruit in nautas maiori turbine fluctus
Sic decimi vis illa ingens et longa tyranni
Altius intorquens telum exitiale miniſtros
Sacrorum enecuit, templa et ſacraria flammis
Abſtulit, ex adytis diuina volumina in ignes
Corripuit luneqȝ vno bis dena recurſu
Millia Chriſtigenum, tanta inclementia, tantum
Irarum pelagus Roma indignante peremit
Et tandem gelido vitę inſidiante veneno
Iam ſenior, iam defectus, iam ſanguine adempto

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Frigidus hyberno qualis iacet anguis in antro
Uita eiectus apud proauos ſepelitur in orco
Quo rapior mea diua rotis errantibus vltra
Metam agor, et longo in gyrum preteruehor actu
Ad Decium torquendi axes. ea tempora cœlum,
Impleuere animis illuſtribus, aula tonantis
Facta frequens, auctę in campis celeſtibus vrbes
Nam cœlum veluti tellus habitatur. et amplas
Rerum opifex diuum populos diſtinxit in vrbes
Hi iuga ſumma colunt illi depreſſius ortum
Uerſus, et occaſum retinent ſua menia longe
Et late ſparſi ad fines aquilonis et auſtri
¶ Cum venit e terris aliquis ſuper ęthera conſul
Temporis illius reducem cui deſtinet vrbi
Explicat, et ciuem ęternum decernit in illa
Certa magiſtratus illis vt et vrbibus iſtis
Iura ferunt certi, nec enim ſine lege putandum
Eſſe polos leges patiuntur, et ordine regnant
Mundus hic exemplum mundi cœleſtis, in illo
Exactum eſt quicquid fragili modo nititur orſ
Diſcimus hic, artis documenta implebimus illic
¶ Ergo laborantem Decio ſub principe mundum
Dum regeret ſtygius proles Saturnia Pluto
Dij ſcelerum quibus eſt ſtudium, coiere frequenti
Concilio. Uenus alios maga docta, iuuentę
Et leuibus prefecta annis Faber ante deorum
Uulcano cui numen erat Cyllenius Hermes
Ingenio ac ſermone potens, et maxima frugum

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Mater Eleuſinis olim celebrata colonis
Aeolus, et Tethys et ſplendidus ora cupido
Tu quoq; quem Graij veteres dixere bimatrem
Bacche Mimallonides fuſis in terga capillis
Menades et Satyri tecum temulentaq; turba
Baſſaridum, quibus officium tentare bibaces
Atq; ciere ſitim, Veneremq; accendere potu
Et ſpecus in campis Libyę Carthaginis altę
Non procul a pelago, ſpecus infra viſcera terrę
Miſſus opaca nemus denſum facit oſtia, magno
It longe ſpelunca ſinu, domus apta colubris
Sole per ęſtatem Libycos torrente colonos
Hic, et fama refert, quondam Sidonia Dido
Et pius Aeneas declinauere procellam
Hęc Venus antiquę fraudis memor elegit antra
Texendis bona viſa dolis, ac talibus infit
Dij conſanguinei, dij quos ego ſemper amaui
Ac colui, ſine quis mihi nihil foeliciter vnq̄
Fas fuit ordiri. dudum deprenditis orbem
Terrarum a nobis dilabi, et querere Chriſtum
Hęc noua crudelitas quaſi quędam incendia ventis
Flantibus id flagrans ſemperq; adoleſcit eundo
Veſter honor paſſim, veſtri reuerentia paſſim
Labitur, indecores ſine maieſtate ſine aris
Mox eritis, niſi contra hoſtes attollimus arma
Quod ſi forte aliquis contra obiectauerit, actum
De nobis ſine ſpe, nec eundum ſidera contra
Dicite num nuper, ne tempora priſca reuoluam

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Num licuit ceſo Decium preferre Philippo
Num licuit nobis ipſa intra mœnia Romę
Principe Alexandro, cuius contraria nobis
Mater erat tanti reſidens in culmine regni
Cecilię vexare domos, ipſamq; virumq;
Cum Tiburte, licet claris natalibus omnes
Prodierint, gladijs inuito extinguere Chriſto
Num regnante pio cuius clementia noſtro
Eſt equata Ioui, duce me Ptolomeus ad aram
Iſidis, vt ſacros diuis accenderet ignes
Tractus, et ſpreuit Chriſtum abiurare, peremptus
Hoc noſtrę potuere manus Matertera Iuno
Mecum erat, et coniunx, et cum Mauorte Minerua
Coniurati omnes opus id concorditer auſi
Uos quoq; dij magni. Chriſtum vexare potentes
Quid ſopita iacent corda illa ingentia quondam
Cœlo Erebo terrę et pelago dominantia, cur nunc
Sic oblita ſui, longa fortaſſe ſenecta
Genua labant, euo forſan cecidere lacerti
In venis cruor intepuit, cum tempore corda
Defecere, graues anni minuere cerebrum
Tollite preſtantes animos, non omnia Chriſtus
Eripuit, noſtri ſupereſt pars maxima regni
Nec plus ille poteſt, ſed vos, vt cernere promptum
Degeneri ignauoq; animo timidi atq; fugaces
Terga datis ſuperaturi ſi vertitis ora
Si in commune bonum noſtra omnia mittimus arma
Titanes genus illud atrox quia fortiter auſi

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Terrorem incuſſere Joui, ſi Jupiter illo
Tempore ſegnis erat (ſcit qui ſtridentia in Aetna
Pro diuum imperio cudebat fulmina coniunx)
Iſſet in eternum exilium, quia fortia contra
Agmina terribili cantor ſit tela lacerto
Vicit et opreſſi bello iacuere gigantes
Nos quoqꝫ dum ſomnum ſectamur et otia inertes
Nil mirum ſi deſerimur. ſi noſtra per orbem
Regna infirma labant. ſi ſurripere omnia Chriſtus
Audeat. et fragiles in nos armare puellas
Vincimur a ſcortis, pudor eſt tam grande fateri
Dedecus illudunt nobis puerіqꝫ, nuruſqꝫ
Cauſa mali vſqꝫ adeo abſurdi atqꝫ ignominioſi
Nil niſi de noſtro veniens ignauia ſomno
Quo pacto Romani orbem niſi grandibus auſis
Edomuere. tenax cure ſententia ⁊ alti
Propoſiti. Senones capitolia vertice gallos
Truſit, ⁊ obſeſſe penos a limine Rome
Non erat Alcides antea fortior, artus
Cernenti. aut turno Aeneas. aut Hectore Achilles
Aut Tideus Licophōte. animo vēniebat ab acri
Illa potens virtus et inexpugnabile robur
Vis igitur reuocanda animi Victoria pendet
Ex animo maiora facit qui fortius audet
Sic Venus, accenſi comites ſermonibus iſtis
Obſequium ſpondent alacres. animoſqꝫ reſumunt
Ite omnes Venus. ite. inquit. dum in cardine res eſt
Ite magiſtratus Deciumqꝫ inuadite noctu

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Atqꝫ opportunis componite ſomnia formis
Me in primis, me namqꝫ putant (quod ſępius vna
Riſimus) eneadum matrem, veſtamqꝫ iugales
Horrentem thalamos, et cum genitore Quirinum
Indigeteſqꝫ alios, ac tutelaria Rome
Numine. que nulli fas eſt audire prophano
Fingite pręſenti de tempeſtate dolentes
Multa queri, ingratis multa exprobrare latinis
Multaqꝫ pro cultu promittere, multa minari
Pro impietate, deos recolant poſſe omnia in omnes
Et ſtudeant ritus veteres. et templa deorum.
Antiquo de more coli. chriſtum orbe fugari
Utpote qui terrarum orbem ſubuertere, et ipſum
Romanum imperium velit extirpare, deoſqꝫ
Et ſe pro cunctis vnum regnare ſuoqꝫ
Neſcia quos de ſorte hominum turpi atqꝫ nefanda
Collectos pro conſulibus pro patribus vrbis
Ingerat. extinguens nomenqꝫ decuſqꝫ latinum
Pontifices etiam, paribus regemqꝫ ſacrorum
Prefectoſqꝫ epulis Salios. Ticioſqꝫ ſodales
Irritare modis. ⁊ idonea tempora nacti
Inuigilate operi. rebuſqꝫ vacate gerendis
Mox vbi concluſi fuerint indagine et aſtu
Capti homines veſtro, ceptis adhibere Megeram
Et ſocias. que ſolicitent Deciana ſuperbo.
Corda odio, et faciant ira excandeſcere atroci
Hec via et his dictis ad res abiere gerendas
¶ Nona dies aderat, cum tota excita repente

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Factio pontificum ſeſe longo agmine ad aulam
Proripit, alituum linguas et ſomnia docti
Conueniunt, et qui fumantia conſulit exta
Qui rimatur aquas et qui conſiderat ignes
Qui pluuias, ſpecula et pelues, nitidaſq; ſecures
Inſpicit et temere deſcripta in puluere ſigna
A tellure trahens nomen, qui intelligit auras
Qui lemures orco ciet, et genus omne magorum
Cogitur, ac Decio intenti ſua ſomnia narrant
Commendantq; deos patrios, et numina auita
Quę pater Aeneas poſt diruta pergama ſecum
Vexit in Italiam, quę obſeruauere Latini
Albaniq; patres, qui antiquę menia Romę
Fundauere, quibus domuere autoribus orbem
At Decius cui corda pari tumefacta veneno
Quanq; animum cohibere velit, tamen ęſtuat intus
Incompoſq; ſui dum vult componere vultum
Fingereq; equanimem toruam truculentia frontem
Aſperat, et ſimilis tauro cum murmure rauco
Ire in bella parat, premit alta mente Philippi
Regna inuiſa, nouos ritus quibus ille ſolebat
Obſeruare deum veroq; litare tonanti
Cogitat illius placita et ſancita refigi
In nihilum redigi decora, et monumenta minatur
Et cineri, delere ipſam deliberat vrnam
Frenari vlterius neſcit furor, imperat omnes
Chriſtigenas ad ſacra trahi romana, negantes
Aere catenatos cruciari, in fruſta ſecari

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Ablegari, vri flammis, et in ęquora mergi
Nuncius ad Gallos, ad Iberi fluminis arua
Ultima, ad hybernos, Neptunicolaſq; Britannos
Ad Graios, ad Cappadoces, ad Caſpia regna
Uſq; Meranchlenos, vſq; ad pictos Agathyrſos
Uſq; ad Amaſonias vrbes, Aſiamq; per omnem
Cis Taurum Romanus vbi coniungitur Indo
Ad Maurum Numidumq; domos, Getulaq; rura
Ad Libyę campos, ad areniuagos Garamantes
Peruolat, ad Nili demum ſtagnantia rura
Et Memphitis agros, vbi regna antiqua deorum
¶ Hic erat, vt fama eſt, atauus ſata regibus inter
Niligenas forma preſtans Apolonia nymphas
Splendida maiorum titulis, in murice et auro
Et magnis nutrita opibus, clara inclyta fama
Docta nouas leges hominem ſotera deumq;
A teneris confeſſa annis, ſyncera viriles
Nunq̄; paſſa manus, nunq̄; paſſura, pudorem
Perpetuum ſummo cuſtoditura tonanti
Clauſa domui matre viam precluſerat omnem
Deliijs, viduali habitu contenta, lauari
Neſcia, nil thermis debens, nec odoribus vllis
Non capiti nardum, non inſtillabat amomum
Nec hiericontine redolebat balſama ſilue
Menſa breuis, condita fame, vulgare legumen
Eſca, vel hortenſes herbę frigentia lymphis
Pocula, producta in ſeram ieiunia noctem
Sepius, et ſemper victus ſine viſcere ſimplex

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Lucifer auroꝛę ſocius qui cętera vincit
Sidera iurauit nunqꝫ vidiſſe iacentem
Luce laboꝛ tota, noctu laboꝛ, ocia quantum
Ad vitam naturę opus eſt implumia ſtrata
Et duris toꝛmenta toꝛis patientia rebus
Optima in aduerſis ſemper comes, in nuba ſemper
Uirginitas, nec non mater prudentia moꝛum, et
Regula virtutum pietas, ancilla tonantis
Relligio, quę templa colit, quę preſidet aris
¶ In lare ſecreto mater regnante Philippo
Exiguam curuo ſub foꝛnice fecerat aram
Cum labꝛo luſtralis aquę, cum lampade et igne
Perpetuo, diuos vbi ſola oꝛare ſolebat
Hic ſuperum ſimulachꝛa, quibus cuſtodia gentis
Et tutela domus Puer aureus, aurea virga
Aurea lactenti quę poꝛrigit vbera nato
Aureus ad leuam Simon romana futuras
Signa tenet claues, fuluum leuat aureus enſem.
Paulus, et ad dextram ſtat miſſa in pectoꝛa barba
Huc veniens mane ante diem ſero ante cubile
Terreſtres animo cura ſeu nubila quędam
Impoꝛtune aciem montis pꝛohibentia ſurſum
Cernere, paulatim, medicando abigebat, et vltra
Sidera pꝛoſpectum attollens vidit alta poloꝛum
Culmina in excelſo diuumqꝫ hominumqꝫ parentum
Contemplata thꝛono cum maieſtate ſedentem
Illa infinita, quam circumfuſus adoꝛat
Ingens ſpirituum populus, cui tartara curuant

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Tam longinqua genu, miſſa dylcedinē languet
Ambroſiamqʒ nectarqʒ bibit, terrena voluptas
His collata epulis taxum ſapit, atqʒ aconitum
Nec iam viuit, eunt omnes in ſidera ſenſus
Uiſus abit, fugit auditus, trahit omnia ſecum
Mens ſublime volans, fugiunt ſuper ethera vires
Et fit iners animi appendix et inutile corpus
Terrigenum coelo quorum eſt ſuccedere multi
Serta manu formata dei lauro atqʒ amarantho
Texta gerunt, ſed in his ardet roſa, lactea in illis
Lilia reſplendent, violis vernantia quedam
Laureolas dicunt, veterum monumenta laborum
Horum autem genus eſt triplex, qui fortiter hoſtem
Et tormenta ferunt, primi quos nulla voluptas
Inquinat et Ueneris furias domuere ſecundi
Tertius aut grauibus ſcriptis aut ore docendo
Surgit honos, alij quanqʒ ſine fine fruantur
Eliſio, nullis decorati inſignibus errant
Aetheris in campis, vt plebs ſine purpura et auro
¶ Sicut enim Rome quōdaʒ dux antiqua manebant
Regna, ſenatores primis, equiteſqʒ ſecundis
Stabant in gradibus, poſt quos ignobile vulgus
Immo dicam lateqʒ patentemqʒ implebat harenam
Sic amplas celorum vrbes populoſqʒ frequentes
Ordinibuſqʒ varijs pater omnipotentis olympi
Digerit, et proprios meritis diſpenſat honores
Ex tribus his igitur duo prima inſignia virgo
Preceptura breui, turbam non ceſſat egentem

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Paſcere diuitibus, donis, et prodigit era
Seminat in terris quod in ethere colligat aurum
Sedula vicatimq; inopes explorat et egros
¶ Iamq; propinquabant magno fatalia motu
Tempora, Nile tuas ſcelerans proconſul ad vrbes
In quibus, vt fama eſt, priſcus regnabat Amaſis
Nauigat Ionium ſenis cum faſcibus equor
Iamq; ſuperba tenet victo que condidit orbe
Menia Alexander, graditur Ioue plenus, et alto
Lumina circumfert Pellea per agmina vultu
Martis equo ſimilis quotiens per Thracia rura
Sub domino greſſum moderans incedit et ore
Terrifico accenſum populos iubet ere canoro
Cogere et hortari ciues ad ſacra deorum
Chriſtigenas vero romani nominis hoſtes
Clamari ſi ſacra negent romana tonanti
Vt ſolet obſcuros laqueis circundare ſaltus
Venator, canibuſq; feras excire latentes
Ac premere excitas latratu in retia magno
Sic ad templa pios miſſis qui lora ferebant
Vrget et exorto fremit inclementia bello
Ipſe ſedet celſo in ſolio ſtipatus vtrinq;
Fuſtibus et gladijs, et habet pro legibus arma
Plebs leuis et rerum ſemper ſtudioſa nouarum
In fora turmatim rapitur, cupidumq; videndi
Triſtia per vicos ruit ad ſpectacula vulgus
Ecce catenarum, nodis onerata cruentis
Truditur et laribus patrijs Apolonia regum

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Progenies lugente domo, ſub pondere aheno
Vix graditur, longeua parens in flumina ſoluit
Larga genas, totum in gemitus conſumitur egrum
Pectus inardeſcens dolor inteſtina piamq;
Crudeli laniatu animam decerpit, euntem
Natam oculis ſequitur, quantum licet, vtq; recedens
Paulatim ex oculis elabitur eleuat ora
Cum clamore vocans natam ſuſpiria natam
Ingeminant, querulo nihil eſt niſi filia in ore
At poſtq̃ eſt penitus ſublata ambage viarum
Ac ſi animam maternam abiens ſecum ipſa tuliſſet
Concidit in gelidos pallor ſuperinduit artus
Commiſerans caſum luctu vicinia magno
Soluitur, et totis reſonat querimonia tectis
Sola ſatellitibus truculentę innoxia turbę
Preda datur virgo tandem venit ante tyrannum
Romano faſtu inflatum. totoq; tumentem
Dite puellari poterant precordia forma
Iudicis accendi, tantus fulgebat in ore
Virgineo ſplendoris honor, niſi dira Megera
Et Venus, et Veneris proles verſuta cupido
Id veriti contra inſanos medicamen amores
Feciſſent ſtygio corda implacata veneno
Continuo intorquens flammantia lumina conſul
Vociferat toruum, et vultu ſacra imperat atro
Quid faciat populo in tanto ſub iudice tali
Certe mori virgo viridi vix nubilis euo
Stat veluti tepidis errans ſub ouilibus agna

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Inter mille lupos, aut inter mille leones
Caprea, que tenera produxere cornua fronte
Incipit aut aquilas inter philomela rapaces
Celicole qui rem ſcierant longe ante futuram
Tempus adeſſe vident quanqꝫ ſine tempore degant
Nobilitas vbi nulla dies que fecit et annos
¶ Curritur ad cœli ſpeculas, aperitur olympus
Et ſuperi ex alto ſcelus id tam immane tuentes
Horreſcunt animis, ſtratiqꝫ ante ora tonantis
Auxilium tenere etati concorditer orant
Tunc oculis diuum pater indulgentibus egram
Proſpiciens que noſtra inquit clementia diui
Que fuerit pietas, ſi dum ſeruare puellam
Nitimur, et vite paucos adiungimus annos
Non dubitamus eam gemina frondare corona
Et duplex auferre decus reſecabimus ergo
Quem fecit natura metum, natura beatos
Ignorans poſt fata dies, ſatis iſta ſuperqꝫ
Auxilia in caſu tanto, nam pœna dolorqꝫ
Non vt ceca hominum putat ignorantia, mors eſt
Quam modo falcatam fingunt, modo arundine et arcu
Terribilem metus eſt mortem qui fecit acerbam
Sic ait, et magnos animos inſpirat ab alto
Qui ferre arma queant, et contra ſtare tyrannum
¶ Extemplo aduertit mentem coaleſcere virgo
Luſtrari ingenium, rediuiua caleſcere corda
Et ſua neſcio quid diuinum in pectora labi
Fit facunda nihil trepidans, ſicqꝫ ore loquuta eſt

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Perdere nos fruſtra conſul Romane laboras
Nam velut in ſyluis deciſa repullulat arbor
Et multi ex vna veniunt radice nepotes
Sic noſtroꝝ vno centum de funere ſurgunt
Mors mea natalis multis ex agmine tanto
Quos mihi ſufficiet pater, et me in regna ſequentur
Tranſmundana breui terrena colonia coelum eſt
Dijs vero Romane tuis de marmore ductis
Ponere ſacra nego, quia ponere ſacra nefandum
Hec vbi dicta, fremens conſul pertundite clamat
Impia preduris pertundite cotibus ora
Ne irritare deos Romanaqꝫ numina pergat
Nec mora, corripiunt ſilices, manibuſqꝫ leuatis
Virginis audaces caput inuaſere miniſtri
Et viſi excuſſo labiorum ſanguine dentes
Fit clamor populo inſignem miſerante puellam
Vimqꝫ inferre parat lictoribus ore minaci
Turba ferens grauiter tundi tam immaniter ora
Virginis, et tanto impietatis turbine ciuem
Innocuam perdi, ſerpit late orta repente
Seditio, et tanqꝫ ſubito freta concita cauro
Fluctuat iratum magno cum murmure vulgus
Vt ſufflare animo, pugneqꝫ accingere totam
Pene vrbē, ſtrictoſqꝫ enſes rutilare per auras
Proſpicit infectis rebus ſubit atria conſul
Et glomerate cohors raptatam in tecta puellam
Detruſere caui horrentem ſub carceris vmbram
¶ Nox erat, et magna celum vertigine quedam

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Sidera tollebat, quędam inclinabat in vndas
Oceani, et pleno lucebat Cynthia cornu
Cum celer a ſomno coelorum elabitur arce
Nuncius, ingrediensq; locos vbi ſaucia virgo
Orabat gelidi reſidens ſuper aſpera ſaxi
Dorſa, repentina humentem luce abſtulit vmbram
Atq; ait o ſtudium ſuperorum, o cura tonantis
Unica celituum ſedes habitura ſuperbas
Fer magno tormenta animo tibi craſtina palmam
Eſt latura dies, flammis abolebitur omne
Quod mortale geris. nec erit tibi flamma dolori
Impetenanq; vno vitalem incendia ſenſum
Surripient, animam membris labentibus ipſe
Protinus educam, venieſq; in ſidera mecum
Atq; triumphato capies noua regna tyranno
Neu dubites membra hęc, quę nil niſi teſtea quedam
Sunt animi vaſa eterni, deponere mentem
Scito reuerſuram nunq; ad ſancta illa piorum
Concilia et cetus ſuperum, niſi pondus et vmbram,
Diluat, ac fiat ſine mole eſſentia ſimplex
¶ Nunc ſe oblita graui cubat in tellure ſepulto
Ingenio atq; alienato velut ebria ſenſu
Res mira, vt fuerit tandem ſibi reddita ſurget
Tota oculus, tota ingenium, perteſa cloacaꝫ
Corporis, exhorrens tam obſcura obſcenaq; clauſtra
Functa paroxyſmis curarum exuta proteruos
Omnino affectus, leta, et nihil indiga rerum
Terrenarum, igni leuior, pernicior euro

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Et ſemper ſine nocte vigil, ſine lumine lumen
Semper habens, ſine luce videns, impune per ignes
Subter aquas impune means, ignota: nec vlli
Uiſa die noctuqꝫ vias, fora templa peragrans
Pro arbitrio, ſubiens etiam penetralia tecta
Et quecunqꝫ putant homines arcana ſubintrans
Nil mortale timens hominum quoqꝫ fallere ſenſus
Et mutare potens, et perſuadere quod optat
Deniqꝫ ſufficiens ſibi ſola ſimillima diuis
Sic ait et placidis afflatam leuiter auris
Integrat excutiens heſternam a pectore cedem
Continuo apparent varijs ſub vultibus ora
Plurima diuorum vacuo pendentia coelo
Multaqꝫ de ſuperum patria de principe diuum
Fantur, et hoc languentem animant ſermone puellam
Conſulis heſterno rabies perterrita caſu
Roditur et ſimilis colubro, qui vulnere tardus
Heret humi ſeſe intorquens iram atqꝫ dolorem
Concipit et duplici corda irritata veneno
Nec frenare poteſt, nec opus differre nefandum
Egerat inſomnis noctem mala plurima voluens
Que ſanctis inferre parat, mens perdita languet
Quis nequeant peiora dari Conſiderat ignes
Uincla, cruces, gladios, et verbera concipit omne
Quod torquere poteſt, ſiculorum antiqua reuoluit
Geſta tyrannorum, nunqꝫ intellecta deorum
Callidus interpres meditanti Atlantius offert
Mille modos graſſandi aperit Aphrodiſia mille

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Progenies, totidem mors et Tritonia diro
Nil ſatis eſt odio, de tot cruciatibus iram
Nil explere poteſt, bilem nihil equat acerbam
Dumqꝫ animos agit in gyrum veſana libido
Surgit aceruariqꝫ iubet prope littora ponti
Ligna ſtrue ingenti, mox deſqualente baratro
Per poſtica trahi facit ad tormenta puellam
Menibus occluſis, ne ſeditione cruentum
Perdere excita rurſum, velut ante laborem
¶ Ipſe ſatellitibus properat ſtipatus, et armis
Et Meleagreo q̃ꝫ mox furibundior apro
Atqꝫ Calydonij facie truculentior vrſi
Imperat accendi porrectam in ſydera miſſo
Igne pyram, fraudum artifices ſcelerumqꝫ magiſtri
Diui adſunt iram ſtimulis odiumqꝫ cientes
Ventipotens ſubito lictoris imagine ſumpta
Aeolus adductis correptam follibus auram
Comprimit, et fauces adiungit follibus amplas
Pronus humi, bucciſqꝫ tumentibus incitat ignem
Mulciber in ſpeciem prunarum euadit, et ardens
Ligna ſubit, flammamqꝫ leuat per inane volantem.
Tum foedos vertens oculos. et in ora puelle
Conſiliens cilio adducto ſemel elige clamat
Aut vri, aut noſtris libamina ponere diuis
Illa autem ſurſum verſo paulum ore morata eſt
Oranti ſimilis, mox ſe conuertit ad ignes
Subridens, vultuqꝫ hilari diſſoluite dixit
Vincla pedum, manūqꝫ graues auferte catenas

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Conſulis vt mandata ſequar, tum protinus illam
Expediunt leti properare ſed ſacra putantes
Ipſa nihil dubitans poſtq̃ veſtigia ſenſit
Libera pre rapido ſubit alta incendia curſu
Flammarum ſubito circum ora volubilis vnda
Fluctuat, et bibito ceſſauit anhelitus eſtu
Exanimum corpus veriti conſumere numen
Aſſiſteq̃ ſenſere ignes, circumfluus ardor
Lambere contentus tanq̃ daret oſcula ſacre
Relligioſa cuti membra inuiolata reliquit
Chriſtigenę noctu dubitant inferre ſepulchro
Relliquias vario inter ſe ſermone loquentes
Ambiguam tandem pietas animoſa timorem
Uicit et egreſſi in littus rapuere cadauer
Syncerum, quod nulla auium quod nulla ferarum
Attigerat morſu, ſine ſigno ardoris, amomum
Ac cyprum redolens, vultu venerabile pulchro
Illatumq̃ vrbi ſcalis ad moenia miſſis
Fonte lauant tepido, myrrheq̃ liquoribus vnctum
Dant tumulo gemebundi omnes, multoq̃ rubentes
Fletu oculos, totamq̃ trahunt in funere noctem
Mens ſuſcepta choris ſuperum tranare volatu
Incipit excelſo rubri ſuper ęquora ponti
Alitis in morem Riphea cacumina leua
Aethiopes dextra videt, oceanumq̃ calentem
Trans Arabes fugit et Perſas Carnamica regna
Tranſit, et Indorum, fines vbi labitur Indus
In mare multiuado curſu, procul aſpicit amnē C iij

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Gangis, et in tumulum veniunt, vbi magnus Hiarchas
Dicitur agreſtes olim docuiſſe Sophiſtas
Hic intermiſſo paulum requieſcere curſu
Dijs viſum, gelida palme reſidere ſub vmbra
Tum veteres animo voluens Apolonia curas
Sic fatur, quę mortales amentia diui
Tanta premit, quę lux oculos preſtringere, que nox
Vſqꝫ adeo obcecare poteſt, vt cernere non ſit
Fas lõgos quę erumna dies quę damna ſequãtur
Tempora nec videant ſibi noxia, corpora olentes
Eſſe ſepulturas terrena negocia ſaxum
Siſyphia ceruice cadens, vndamqꝫ ſororum
Pertuſis labentem vrnis, Iſionis orbem
Eſſe metus, eſſe inſidias, eſſe anxietates
Que torquent roduntqꝫ animos fallacia poma
Et mendaces aquę fluuium quem Tantalus ore
Inſequitur, ſpes inualidas, ſudataqꝫ fruſtra
Vota hoim temere audentum, cum corpore vinctam
Ferre animam quicquid penarum aſcribitur orco
Proſequitur mirans itidem mortalia corda
Sic horrere necem, quam ſi dignoſcere fas ſit
Sponte ſibi aſciſcant naturę arcana videndo
Gaudet, et exultans oculis circumlegit orbem
Terrarum pelagi ſtagna alta, volubile coelum
Unde lacus amneſqꝫ fluant, quę fontibus vndam
Suppeditent cauſę cur terrę immobile pondus
Pendeat et cur tot ſeclis flagrauerit Aetna
Cur careat ſemper, pluuijs, cur flumine tanto

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Eſtuat Aegyptus, Nilicꝫ intelligit ortum
Quid moueat molem vndarum, qua lege ferantur
Equora, qua volucres veniant ab origine venti
Quas maculas luna ore gerat, quod ſidera verſet
Quot coeli, quot eorum axes, an in omnibus vnus
Num ſint corporei, num ſint ſine corpore diui
An mundus ſine fine capax, an limite certo
Clauſus, et an viuant, et ſint animantia coeli
Omnia mente capit nihil eſt quod ſcire volentem
Effugiat, nihil eſt rurſum quod habere volenti
Deficiat, ſecura necis, ſecura dolorum
Taliter affecte ſuperi quid perdimus aiunt
Tempora diuorum operum ſi tanta voluptas
Scire genus, quid ſcire deum, preſentiacꝫ ora
Cernere nil aliud potis eſt ſperare voluntas
Altius, huc curſus noſtris hec vltima votis
Meta, quid hic terimus verba inter plurima tempus.
¶ Ergo iter ingreſſi ſeqꝫ in ſublime leuantes
Pretereunt Indos, iam nil niſi pontus ⁊ aure
Sub pedibus, ſuperant ignes, in aperta feruntur
Atria coelorum tenebrarum experta: feruntur
Inuia vix tellus (tam paruo includitur orbe)
In medijs apparet aquis, iam ſidera gaudent
Contrectare manu, vadunt qua tempora veris
Inchoat et gelida Titā diſcepit ab vrna
Aſtra ſupergreſſi iuga ſumma ardentis olympi
Tandem ineunt, vbi diuorum domus atqꝫ tonanti
Curia, et noſtro requies non cognita mundo ¶ Finis

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Spes

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